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HAIPHONG/CAT BI AIRFIELD
NORTH VIETNAM
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1. COLLATERAL REPORTS HAIPHONG/CAT BI AIRFIELD, LOCATED 3.5 NM SOUTHEAST OF HAIPHONG, WAS BUILT BY THE FRENCH IN 1939 AND DEVELOPED AND USED BY THE JAPANESE IN WORLD WAR II. THE AIRFIELD WAS REHABILITATED BY THE FRENCH IN THE EARLY 1950'S AND WAS THE PRINCIPAL FRENCH AIR BASE IN NORTH VIETNAM. HOWEVER, MOST OF THE FACILITIES WERE DISMANTLED BY THE FRENCH AIR FORCE BEFORE THEIR WITHDRAWAL IN MAY 1955. HAIPHONG/CAT BI AIRFIELD, PLUS OTHERS IN THE HAIPHONG/HANOI AREA, ARE BELIEVED TO HAVE BEEN USED BY THE SOVIETS IN THEIR AIRLIFT OF MILITARY MATERIEL IN SUPPORT OF REBEL FORCES IN LAOS.

2. TROJAN HORSE [REDACTED] REVEALS A 7,700 X 190 FT. ENE/WSW CONCRETE/ASPHALT SERVICEABLE RUNWAY, AND A PARALLEL TAXIWAY WITH TWO END-CONNECTING AND THREE CROSSOVER LINKS. A PARKING APRON IS LOCATED NORTH OF THE RUNWAY; A FORMER NNW/SSE CONCRETE RUNWAY IS NOW PROBABLY BEING USED AS A PARKING APRON. THIS MISSION ALSO REVEALS FOUR FAGOT/FRESCO AIRCRAFT, EACH OF WHICH IS PARKED IN ONE OF THE EIGHT NEWLY CONSTRUCTED AIRCRAFT REVEITEMENTS. OTHER FACILITIES INCLUDE TWO LARGE HANGARS, ONE SMALL HANGAR, A CONTROL/OPERATIONS BUILDING, A POL STORAGE AREA, APPROXIMATELY FORTY SUPPORT/MAINTENANCE BUILDINGS AND TWENTY-FIVE OLDER AIRCRAFT REVEITEMENTS. OTHER AIRCRAFT OBSERVED WERE FOUR COLT AND FIFTEEN MAX/MOOSE.

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3. AREA HAS BEEN PREVIOUSLY COVERED BY [REDACTED] LUCKY DRAGON,

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